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MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. P. Co. Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal. There were but two acrests by the police yesterday up to 5 o'clock, and they were two

The game of basebali that was advertised to take pince at Manawa yesterday afternoon between the Models of this city and the Fre-ments of Fremont, Neb., did not take place on account of the failure of the Fremont club to show up. A local nine was gathered up and gave the Models an interesting game.

The body of Mrs. Mary Rice, who died it Omaha Saturday afternoon, was brought to this city yesterday afternoon and taken to Estep's undertaking establishment to be propored for shipment to Levilla, In. "he necessary arrangements were made and the casket put on one of the evening trains tast night."

The ladies who desire to distinguish them selves as original decorators must not forge that an opportunity has been extended them and materials will be furnished them to do their test if they will come to the old Elseman building this morning. The decora tions for the opera house, in which the farm ers' congress will meet will nearly all be ar ranged here, and as many of the ladies as d sire to assist in the work most meet here. It is desired to decorate the opera house with unique and original designs and the ladies can find a new and very large field for originality. The committee will be on hand and commence receiving the exhibits and ma-terials for decorating at 9 o'clock this morn-

J. C. Bixby, steam nearing, sanitary en-gineer, 940 Life building, Omaha; 401 Mer riam block, Council Bluffs. Dr. C. H. Bower, 20 N. Main st.

Scott House, Council Bluffs, transients \$1.00

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Seth C. Drake, who has been the local man-Consolidated Tank line in this city, severed his connection with the comy on Saturday evening and will leave to-or tomorrow for the west, with the intention of permanently locating in some of the Pacific coast cities. Mr. Drake has taken good care of the company's business here and has become a very pepular young man. The announcement of his intention to permanently leave the city will cause a very general regret, especially among the young society people, with whom he was a general favorite. There has not been a young man who has left the city for many years accompanied by more generous good wishes than Mr. Drake.

Maudel & Kiem are offer ng great bargains We show the best every department. line of cook stores and ranges in the city, from \$10 to \$40. In tinware we carry the best only and sold at bottom prices. Carpets, "Oh. my!" we just beat the world, former price of carpets 55 cts., now 40 cts., and so on through the entire line. We show a large line in novelties in our parlor goods depart-ment. In bedroom suits we pride ourselves of carrying the most complete assortment, choice of 30 styles. Book cases, rockers and dining chairs of every description. Sideboards, wardrobes and center tibles go along with this unloading sale. Get prices else-where and compare Mandel & Klein's 320

If you wish to sell your property call on the Judd & Wells Co., C. B. Judd, president, 606 Broadway.

A Pontoon Bridge.

There is some talk among the real estate men of getting a pontoon bridge over the river. They are agitating the matter, and hope to be able to soon form a company to build such a bridge. They estimate the cost at \$100,000. The purpose of encouraging such an enterprise is to secure some way of cross-ing the river at less rates than those now charged by the bridge and motor company. The desire for a 5 cent fare is so strong that unless the present company makes some concession there will be an attempt to secure the end in some other way. Almost any enterprise which will tend to a cheaper communication between the two cities will be sustained by a strong sentiment in Council Bluffs. The pontoon scheme may not be practical, and may not materialize, but there are many who bound to get relief from the present

The Blue Grass Palace.

The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy has arranged to give half rates to the Blue Grass palace at Creston, August 21 to 30, from all stations in Iowa west of and including Chari-

The Manhattan sporting headquarters, 418 Broadway.

Tried to Fool the Justice.

Judge Barnett is long suffering, patient and slow to anger, but he occasionally loses his patience, and the parties who are responsible for the ruffling of the judicial temper, generally have good reasons to recollect and regret it. A. C. Elisworth, who filed a \$100 bond for his brother, A. S. Ellsworth, which was required to keep him out of jail for an assault upon a grader named Wallace a few weeks ago, regrets that his attempts to fool the justice excited the judicial ire. The latter Ellsworth assaulted Wallace with the seat board of a dirt wagon and inflicted some very severe injuries upon him. Wallace file! an information and the fellow was arrested, but it was shown that the complainant was so badly burt that it would be several days before he could appear and prosecute, and Ellsworth was put under \$100 bonds. The case was continued from time to time, and finally Wallace recovered and not desiring to have his assailant punished any further agreed to dismiss it if he would not the costs. pay the costs. The proposition was accepted, and the justice fixed a day for settlement. When the day arrived Elisworta appeared with his attorney and announced his readi-ness for trial, and as Wallace was not there to prosecute the attorney moved for the dis-missal of the case on the grounds of the fail-ure of the prosecuting witness to appear. It was plainly evident to the court that it was a shrewd little scheme that Ellsworth was working to throw the costs on Wallace, and he quietly dispatched a messenger to bring Wallace in. Five minutes later the attorney and his client were paralyzed by the appear-ance of the prescuting witness. When he was told of the perfidy of the man who had assaulted him and whom he had so generously forgiven he was anxious to prosecute, but the defense asked for a conthuance until Saturday. This was granted, but when the honr arrived for hearing the case neither the defendant nor his attorney was present. The \$100 bond was declared forfeited and a warrant was issued for the rearrest of A. S. Ellsworth.

Judge Barnett has a civil case in which a well known druggist and a contractor who is building him a house are the principals, where the same scheme is being tried, and it is probable that an execution will be issued against the druggist today.

We have customers for inside improved property, terms all cash. If you have a pargain to offer call on E. H. Sheafe & Co. at

Commercial men, New Pacific, Council Bluffs, is under management of W.Jones with

new sample rooms.

Seized the tircus Tent. Some of the employes of the 10-cent circus, which had its tents pitched near the Northwestern depot for a few days, became anxious about their pay. They consulted some attorneys, and concluded to attach the show. The showman fussed around a good deal, and did his best to persuade the angry creditors to relinquish their hold on the tents, but finally came down with the cash, paying in all nearly \$200. He then folded his tent and started for the west.

THE OMAHA REE SUNDAY NEWS IN THE BLUFFS.

The Enervating Influence of the Summer Days upon the Churches.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

Benton Street Citizens Objecting to a Grade-A Pontoon Bridge-Tried to Beat a Justice -Seized a Circus.

organizations do not seem to be able to escape the enervating influence of the summer days. In some cases ittouches the preacher himself, and while the pewhoders may put on an outward expression of regret at the necessity of granting him a vacation, they do not seem to mourn decely because they have an excuse for remaining at home, although other church doors swing open invitingly. Yesterday was very favorable for church going, so far as weather was concerned, but those churches which were open for business did not have so great a rush as one might expect, in view of the fact that some of the eading churches were closed. Even the Young Men's Christian association, with its tempting advertisement to furnishall worhippers with "fans and ice water," could of tempt many to leave their homes or forsake the parks.

Outside of the so-called orthodox churches the other societies, such as the Salvation army, find it difficult to get enough folks to gether to hold a service of any sort. The army procession which nightly parades the streets keeps the usual number of less than a dozen, and makes as much noise as ever, but while new faces appear, they only seem to take the place of old ones, and there is so apparent growth The spiritualists have been trying to hold meetings for a few Sandays past. The services of an inspiriting speaker have been secured, but while her praises are budly pro claimed, she does not seem to draw. One of the band thus explains the situation: "Some of her addresses are excellent, others are very ordinary. It depends of course on her control. Most always her control is good. and she delivers a lecture which anybody would be interested in. She lays down doc-trines which any Christian can endorse. Her own personal views are rather toward infidelity, but of course when she speaks she is under the control of some she is under the control of some other spirit, and her controls are good and almost always give sound Christian doctrines. The trouble with the spiritualists in Council Bluffs is that they are divided up. There are a good many who believe in too materialistic communications and that has hurt the cause. I've been to some meetings where there were given performances that where there were such performances that left in disgust. When we get some good in spiration speakers there are a good many who won't attend, but they go off and held private circles, where they can get the manifesta-tions they want. I don't believe in putting

spiritualism on too low a plane.
"The Christian Scientists seem to be baving equal difficulty in uniting on some common platform. Their meetings are so slimly a tended that they some times have none at all One of them, in explaining the situation says: "One trouble about them is that then has been too much of a money-making tend-ency. It has hurt the cause and so disgusted many that they would not investigate to find outswhat the truth really is. Christian science s not a mere way of treating sick folks for a There's been too much of this. It is a religion, and should be given out as such, just as Christ taught, not for hire or to make money out of it, but to do good to one's fellowmen. Those who believe in Christian science here are sort of divided up. If they would join together you would see it making greater headway than ever before."

Another singular feature of life in Council Bluffs as reveated on Sunday is the conspicuous absence of any Unitarian or Universalist organizations. There are many inclined to such beliefs, and they have attempted time and again to organize, butali in vain. Brilliant speakers have come here, pleaded a few Sundays and retired discouraged. There is hardly another city of 35,000 in the whole country which does not give support to several of these so-termed liberal churches.

Twenty-five carpenters wanted to work on J. A. MURPHY.

Hose at cost. We are going to quit handling garden hose, and have doubly the largest stock in the city. To close out we will sell all grades and fixtures at dead cost, for cash. C.B. Paint & Oil company, Nos. I and 3, Masonic temple.

A Narrow Escape from Death. Fred Hanson and Jack Anderson, two car repairers working in the Union Pacific yards, had a narrow escape from being crushed to death beneath a car they were repairing Saturday afternoon. The repairs on the cars are all done on a track that is known as the repair track, but frequently the switchmen find it necessary to set cars on this track that do not need repairs. To avoid accidents when the men are working on the car, and the work is almost underneath it, a green flag is placed above it while they are at work, and the orders are not to interfere with a ear that has such a flag upon it. In this case the had been properly placed, but the wind had wrapped the cloth around the staff so closely that it could not be seen, and the switchmen supposing that the repairers had left, sent several other cars flying down upon it. The two men were at work on the trucks and had the car raised on jack screws. When the other cars struck it it was knocked off the jacks and both men were caught beneath it. Both wer badly squeezed, but not seriously hurt. Th car was driven several yards, and if it had gone a few inches further both men would have been crushed beseath the trucks. The car was raised as quickly as possible and they were taken out by their comrades.

P. C. Miller, the pointerand decorator, at home to his friends, Sis South Sixth street.

Netice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received at the of-Sealed proposals will be received at the offlex of the architects, rooms 244 and 245 Merriam block, Council Bluffs, Ia., until 2
p. m. on the 19th day of August, 1890,
for the erection and completion of
the new First Methodist Episcopal
church at Council Bluffs, according to the revised plans and specifications. Each bidder
will state the amount he will allow for the
present building. Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check for 5000, as a
guaranty that the party receiving the award
will enter into a contract and give satisfacwill enter into a contract and give satisfac-tory bond. The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the committee.

F. M. ELLIS & CO., Architects.
W. S. MAYNE, Chairman.
C. W. BROWN, Secretary.

Objecting to a Grade.

The trouble over the Benton street grade has not been settled, and several members of the council and the city engineer will go up there this morning for the purpose of investigating it and recommending a change that will satisfy the property owners if it can be done without injury to the street. The original grade of the street was very satisfactory to them, and there are not many who are able to realize that the change is an improvement, especially where it piles up four feet of ciay in front of their homes and changes a gentle slope over the original hard black dirt into a steep declivity. There has always been a great degree of uncertainty as to the heighth of the established grade, and it has not been relieved by the numerous surveys that have shown a variation of from a few inches to a foot. Some of the property owners have taken what was given them as the grade line and built expensive houses. One resident has just completed a sine-room house upon a wall that was four and a half feet above the old street level and has just finished filling and sodding his lot. Although

either competation to take the water and slops from the streat or tear out the work he has had done at great expense and raise his house higher and suffer all the inconvenience and expense of such work. Every house is the block, except those fronting on Washington avenue, will have to be raised to correspond with the proposed fill. All the fine trees, which are the chief glory of the street, will be destroyed by the depth of clay that is being piled around them. The property owners have protested against this wanten destruction and potitioned in value for relief. They have refrained from arrealing to the courts tion and potitioned in vain for relief. They have refrained from appealing to the courts until it is perhaps too late. They have now reached the condition of quiescent, speechless despair, content to let their property be ruined without hope of redress.

The only hope that remains lies in the promised recommendation for a dop of a foot in the established grade between Harmony trees. Even the most enthusiastic of the church this purpose that the members of the council and the city engineer will visit the locality

A good bose reel free with every 100 feet of hose purchased at Bix by's.

Early Hurt ina Runaway. Mrs. Jacob C. Miller was the victim of a serious accident yesterday afternoon by which she sustained a compound fracture of the right limb just above the ankle and other severe bruises. She and her husband were out driving and turned down Oak street to Pierce to get on Broadway. The carve of the electric motor track at that point stands up above the street level and makes a serious obstacle, which is usually avoided by driving on the east side of the street. Mr. Miller attempted to go on the west side, and a wheel of his carriage caught between the flange of the curve and the rail. The sudden stopping and the creaking sound produced frightened the horse and he made a vicious lunge and started to run away. At the corner of Broadway and Oak street the carriage was overfurned and both of its occupants throws out. Mr. Miller held on to the lines and was dragged along with the wreck until several men came to his aid and stopped the horse. Mrs. Miller was stilllying where she had fallen, and when her friends got to her they found she was badly burt. She was picked up and carried into Younkerman's store, and examination revealed the injustated. The foot was turn injuries stated. The foot was turned at right angles with the limb. She bore the pan heroically and did not lose consciousness, although badly starned. She was conserved to the constraint of the constr ve,ed to her home on Fourth street and Dr. Macrae suramoned.

Mr. Miller escaped with a few slight braises. The buggy was completely demolished. He is a commercial traveler, brother of L.A. Miller, and every body knows him familiarly as "Jake."

Wall naper at 3% cents per roll; not remnants, at C. L. Gillette's, 28 Pearl st.

The Day at Manawa. There was a large crowd at Manawa yesterday, and the spleadid weather and the usual amusements amply repaid them. The special teature of the afternoon was Prof. Ten Brock's ascension and leap from the clouds in a parachute. It was a magnificent performance and created agreat deal of enthusiasm after the manyfailures that had been made by other aeronasts at the lake this summer. The balloon was inflated early in the afternoon and at 5 o'clock was ready to go. And go it did, with the daring account hanging and swinging on the trapeze bar at the bottom of the parachate. It went to a height of fully 3,000 feet, although the professor himself claimed that an altitude of 6,000 feet was reached. He cut the rope attaching the parachate to the balloon while he was hanging on the trapeze bar headdownward, and shot toward the earth with terrife speed. The big am-brella went down nearly 1,000 feet before it opened its wings and checked the speed, which was beginning so terrific that the which was beoming so terrific that the thousands who were gazing upward became very uneasy. When opened out the rapid descent was quickly checked and the remainder of the fall was very gentle. The paractute swung backward and forward to an alarming degree, while the daring passenger was clinging to the bar with his hands. He occupied one minute and three-quarters in making the descent, and landed in the willows at the edge of the lake.

A Missing Livery Riz. station at 10 o'clock last night asking assistance is finding a livery rig that was taken from his stable on Saturday by a man who gave the name of H. C. Butler. Butler obtained the rig Saturday morning to drive about the city, and paid \$150 in advance for the use of it all day. He returned it at noon and asked to have the horse well fed for he was going to do considerable more driving during the afternoon. He brought it back at so clock and left. At 6 o clock he returned and asked for the same rig for another drive about the city during the evening. It was given him and that is the last that has been seen of the man or the outlit. The owner is not sure whether it is a case of The owner is not sure whether it is a case of theft or intoxication, but is inclined to be-lieve the latter theory, as Butler had ob-tained a team of him once or twice last sum-mer. He has been away from the city for a year, and told Bouquet that he is engaged in clerking in J.J. Sallivan's boot and shoe store in Missouri Valley.

The horse is a gray pacer, about ten years ald, and the vehicle is a Commbus buggy painted black, with nickel-plated hub bands.

A Transaction in Saw Iust. We do not believe that there is a single banker in the country who is not familiar with the notorious "green goods"; swindle. The circulars of the gentry which operates the game bear the stamp of criminality and it does not require an astute intelligence to penetrate their effusive expressions of friendship and good faith. The swindle has at last settled upon a scientific basis, and under its altered conditions the men who are engaged in it have the temerity to address their seductive literature to the banks. A bank in South Dakota received a special offer recently for a line of choice "green goods." They were not guaran-teed to wash, but they possessed other qualities which rendered them desirable. They were alleged to be so perfect as to defythe whole secret service to detect their bogus origin. The circular was couched in the usual language, but with one startling addition in the shape of letter from a Philadelphia banking house, guaranteeing the thorough frustworthiness of the writer, one Charles Wilson. The axtraordinary letter of credit reads as follows: FOUNDED 1859. CAPITAL \$1,500,000. American and European securities bought

and sold. Drafts, letters of credit and money orders is-sued to all parts of Europe,

sued to all parts of Europe,
shands Offices at
449 Stand, London, England,
39 Boulevard des Capucines, Paris, France,
79, 80 and St Piazzi di Spagna, Rome, Italy,
78 Friedrich Strasse, Berlin, Germany,
44 Gerhoss Strasse, Hamburg, Germany,
SIMMONS BROS & CO.,

PHILADELPHIA, PA. DEAR Sir: Mr. Charles Wilson has re-quested as to write to you concerning his reliability. Wetake pleasure in stating that he is thoroughly trustworthy, and we guarantee any transaction you may have with him. Yours respectfully, Sixons Buss. & Co.

The letter is a transparent fraud.
There is no such banking house in Philadelphia, but the wisdom of serpents could not have devised a more subtile snare to capture the unwary. The signature of the firm, with its flowing hand, is lithographed in such a manner as to suggest that a blotter had been used upon it when it came from the pen. The body appears to have been done with a typewriter, but was really printed, and then soaked, possibly in order to imitate the blurred appearance commonly noted in that kind of writing,

and started for the west.

J. G. Tipton, real estate, 527 Broadway.

Money at reduced rates loaned on chatte and real estate security by E. H. Sheafe & Co

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Money at reduced rates loaned on chatte and higher than the top of his wall. This

Gentleman, there.

A RIDETHAT RAISED HAIR.

How the Passengers on a Wild Engine Were Swed by an Oiled Track.

the other day to his companion, "but I have never heard of a trip that would best one that I made myself some years ago, nor ofany bull so exciting, says the St. Louis Globe Democrat. I formerly lived at Garrett, Ind., the terminus of the central division of the Chicago division of the Baltimore &Ohio railroad. I had little to do, and made the railroad yards my loating headquarters At that time the Billy-Ohndan arrangement with the Wabsh to transfer all New York freight at Auburn Junction, nine miles distant, to the east of us. This was done by the old switch-engine, the 642, which made two trips to the junction daily. Well, one day I climbed abourd a bex-car when the engine left with a few cars of merchandise to transfer. There were six of as in the partyfour yardmen, another follow, and my self. We had a jolly time going down; made the transfer, and were to come buck light—that is with nothing but the engine. We had all crowded on the tender, the signal was given, and Gent Potter, the engineer, threw himself forward, pulled the throttle valve, and the engine jumped forward as if shot from a catespult. We did not think much of this at the time, as Gent was a fine engineer and handled the engine to suit his fancy. We went tearing over the railroad crossg and frogs in a manner that was rightful. The tender rocked as if on kinges. Something must be wrong, we hought, as Gent was placing our lives in jeopardy. Climbing over the coal we found the cab full of steam and Gent and the fireman hanging at the side of the engine. "Jump boys, they said; 'jump, for God'ssake! The throttle valve is pulled clear out and the engine is running

"To jump would have been instant denth. As one of the boyssaid afterward, the telegraph poles looked like a fine tooth comb. The mile posts flew by with unseemly rapidity. The yard fore-man claimed that a mile was covered in 38 seconds and not one would doubt his word. St. Joe wasin sight. Would the track be clear? Only three milesto Garrett, with its network of tracks, switches, and spurs. The steam grage registered ninety pounds. There was no hope of the engine dying out in five or six minutes. With presence of mind the foreman dashed off a few words:

"Engine wild, Telegraph Garrett to "This he drapped as we passedSt. Joe and the operator, clear to comprehend the situation, sent it to the dispatcher on the east end, without a call, as we learned afterward. There was Garrett in sight, with its tall chimneys belching for the smoke; there were the yards filled with freight-cars and engines. As we got closer we could see men harrying hither and thither. The other yard engine was rushing madly to the west end of the yard. The maintrack clear. We passed the depot like a pursued victim. Palefaces watched us in our mad flight. We passed the railroad shops, and hundreds came running to see the cause of the commotion. The engine was in a quiver, the bell was ringing wildly with each sway of the engine, the escaping steamwhistled as if demented, and fire blazed from the hot boxes. Then we saw something which made us think we were doomed. The switch to the conlchute was open, and the long ascent could only end in our destruction. We looked again, saw men working on the track, and then knew that we were saved. What were they doing? Why, bless my soul, friend, those follows were oiling the track of the chute. We struck the ascent and slidup about one hundred feet; and then the old 642 stood still and the wheels still in the forward motion, and thus the engine died out. We all suffered a severe shock to our nervous system, but hadit not been for the presence of mind of the mastermachanic, who ordered the oil poured on the chute track, I might

nothave been here today. 'How fastdid you go?' "Well, the first six miles were made in less than five minutes; the last three were made in much slower time, as the steam was exhausting itself rapidly.

AChoice List of Summer Resorts. In the lake regions of Wisconsin, Minresota, lowa and the two Dakotas, there are hundreds of charming localities preeminently fitted for summer homes, Among the following selected list are names familiar to many of our readers as the perfection of northern summer resorts. Nearly all of the Wisconsin points of interest are within a short distance from Chicago or Milwaukee, and none of them are so far away from the "busy marts of civilization" that they canno be reached in a few hours of travel, by frequent trains, over the finestroad in the northwest—the Chicago,
Milwaukee & St. Paul railway:
Ocenomowoc.Wis.
Minecqua, Wis.
Waukesha, Wis.
Polmyra, Wis.
Fonteaac, Minn.
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Tamahawk Lakes, Lake Minnetonka Minn. Ortonville, Minn. Wis. Lakeside, Wis. Kilboura City, Wis., Prior Lake, Minn. (Dells of the Wis- White Bear Lake constant) Miran. CORSIL.)

Beaver Dam, Wis.

Big Stone Lake, DaMalison, Wis.

For detailed information, apply at ticket
office, 1501 Farnam street, Barker Block.

F. A. NASH, Gen, Agent

J. E. PRESTON, Pass, Agent

AS SISTER GERTRUDE SEES IT

She Thinks Much of the Malignity of Leprosy Can be Arrested.

We have just received a letter from Sister Rose Gertrude, dated July I, Kalihi Rec. Station, Oahu, Hawaiian islands, in the coarse of which she says "We have had a great many severe illnesses, such as pacumonia enteritis, etc. I get the papers regularly and the pictures are very acceptable. With regard to offers of help, we have all the workers needed, I think. Here my boys help in the dispensary, and at Molekai there are the Franciscan Sisters. I have read and received many notices concerning lepers, but I think I may say, from all I have seen here white under Dr. Lutz, that to treat lepers a real physician is required, with a practical knowledge of all the drugs of the pharmacopeia, their action, affini-ties, etc., and a further knowledge of many cutaneous diseases and efficacious remedies; also he must be versed in microscopic matters.

"With all these requisitions it is possible, as I see here, to arrest the progress of the disease, to disarm it of its malignity and to establish perfect nutrition and good general health. Without this knowledge, I think, as ulcer, a tubercle or any inditration whatever might quickly be made to look better, but other eruptions would prove the futility of the attempt to cure the disease. That is what has happened always when incompetent persons have tried to deal with the disease, and with-out the above knowledge not even a correct diagnosis could be made.

"Next Friday is a holiday, and we are going to have a fete. The doctor gave two pigs and sweet potatoes; I am going to give prizes from the English people to the boys for jumping and run-

sing races. Those who cannot run will have consolation prizes, for which they will fish in water. One amusement is running after a pigwhich has been well greased, and is consequently very slip-pery and hard to catch. The people, from the eldest to the smallest children, are looking forward to the fete with the "Talk rebout fast, times," said a railroad man on the Missouri Pacific train greatest excitement. We shall close the day with freworks and native songs by moonlight. Just now we are busily preparing the cotillion decorations and the prizes won in the races.

The new offices of the great Rock Island route, 1602, Sixteenth and Farnam street. Omaha, are the finest in the city. Call and see them. Tickets to all points east at lowest rates

SOR SPOT IN SOCIAL SYSTEMS.

Arrogant Contempt of Our American Aristocracy for Its Own Origin.

New York World: Mr. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, in a recent Chautauqua address on the "Aristocracy of the Dollar," placed his finger upon the sorest spot in our social system-namely, its arrogant contempt of itsown origin. Hereminded his audience that Pope Irban, having been acobiler, bravely onestly took a cobbler's tool for his cont of-arms, while during a twelve years residence in Newport Mr. Higginsonhas never seen anything on any carriage to suggest that its owner had not inherited his wealth from a long line of kings. It is precisely this weak-minded, meanspirited funkcyisw which makesour arisocracy of wealth contemptible. Our aris-

the fathers or grandfathers whose better pride in work made them rich. They hourly act a debasing lie for shame f an honorable truth. Some even openly talk of their aristoratic descent and affect a superiority of oirth because it was their grandfather ather than theirfather who lived over the shop wherein their money was

toursts are ashamed of the honest tell or

honest trade from which their money came; they hold in shame the memory

made. In all this there is forgetfulness of the most honorable fact in the descent of American men—the fact, namely, that their ancestors were ptebelans or per-sons of what the English call "the middle class;" that is to say, that they are descended from honest men and women and not from the middle ago highwaymea or the later debauchees and royal favorites who were the founders of old world aristocratic families.

The plain truth is that from the English point of view we are all "common people" in this country, the descendants of farmers, mechanics and trades men, and that we are the better for it. We come of a cleaner strain than that of old world aristocracies. We have achieved more than they, for we have conquered a continent, and in a single century have created the greatest and freest republic on the face of the earth. The silliness of the assumptions touched upon by Mr. Higginson has been shown in a crystal by the poet who

wrote: Of all the notable things on earth, The querestone is prize of birth Among our fierce democracy. A bridge across a hundred years, Without a prop to save it from sacers-Not even a couple of retten peers— A thing for laughter, fleers, and jeers, Is American aristocacy.

I like my wife touse Pozzoni's complexion powder because it improves her looks and as fragrant as violets.

A FAMILY OF FIGHTERS.

Thirty-Five Sons and Seventeen Them in the Union Army.

"If it came within the lines of his inquiries," said W. C. Moyer of St. Clairs-ville, West Va., "the census enumerator for Moundsville, near where I live, must have found about as wonderful a domesflew around; sparks came from beneath them like from an emery wheel. Gradually the engine slid down, the wheels fer to a family of the name of Brandon. The father of that family, Charles Brandon, died when he wasninety-six years old, but his youngest child was less than a year old. He died just as the civil war broke out from a broken heart, his wife having refused to live with him any longer, and brought suit for divorce against him. He had at the time thirty-live living children and had been married three times. His first wife bore him only two children. His second wife died after bearing him eighteen. At the age of seventy-live he married Sarah Barker, she being sixteen, and the youngest of sixteen children. She lived with him twenty-one dren. She lived with him twenty-one years, bearing him fifteen children, and then left him, taking her year-old baby with her, and sued for a divorce on the grounds of incompatibility of temper. Brandon was then still hale and hearty, but the desertion of his wife broke him down, and he died within a month after she left him.

"When his third wife married him the eldest of his twenty children by his two previous wives was thirty-nine, and the entire twenty lived under the parential roof. The young wife reared all of the twenty that were young enough to need rearing, besides caring for the fifteen of her own, the eldest of whom was but twenty when she left their father. The family of thirty-five kept together for many years after their father's death, and if the matriarchial Brandon had lived a few months longer he would have seen seventeen of his sons calist in the union army. It is a question if in this or any other country an in-stance can be found where one family ever before contributed seventeen sons to their country's service. There were two Charles and two Johns among these brothers. The names of the other thirteen were Simeon, Evans, Peter, Josephus, Hiram, James, Van Buren, Jacob, Abraham, Alexander, David, Andrew and Ruse. Besides these three of Charles Brandon's sons served in the Mexican war. The seventeen brothers were all in Ohio and Indiana regiments. Two of them, one of the Johns and one of the Charles were sons of the third Mrs. Brandon. They were both taken prisoners at the battle of Chickamauga and placed in Andersonville prison. John died in the prison. Charles was there twenty-one months when he es-caped, All the rest of the sons were children of the second wife. They were in every important battle of the war, and all lived to get home when the war was over except Peter, who was killed at Shiloh. "These boys all came of good fighting

stock, for their father was a famous indian fighter himself, and a veteras of the war of 1812 and the Mexican war. When western Pennsylvania was the frontier, and the Indian fighter was the most important and indispensable person in thesettlements, Charles Brandon, according to all tradition, was one of the best and most daring of all the active foes of the red men. His father was killed by Indians when Charles was only three years old. He himself was made a prisoner, and lived with the Indians twelve years, hating them more the longer he was with them. At the age of fifteen he escaped, and after learning his mother tengue, spent all his time until they were driven away to more remote settlements in husting and killing indians. He was fifty-one years of age when the war of 1812 broke out and he was one of the first to join the American army and was in when peace was de-clared. He was seventy-four when he

enlisted in the Mexican war.
"The third wife of this virile old fighter is living at Moundville, hale and

hearty at the age of sixty-seven. She is over six feet high and as straight as an arrow. Of her thirty-five children and stepchildren she knows positively of the wherenbours of but lifteen. rest are scattered about the country and dead. The thirty-five children were all

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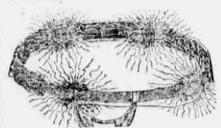
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